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In re application of: Mack et al.

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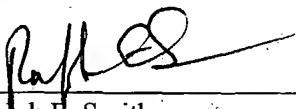
In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and § 1.97-1.98, the references listed and identified on the attached Form PTO/1449 or SB08A/B are being submitted herewith for consideration by the Examiner. This Statement is being filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), i.e., within three (3) months of the filing date of the present application.

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A copy of each reference listed on the attached Form PTO/1449, or SB08A and/or SB08B, is included herewith. Consideration and entry into the record of these references is respectfully requested.

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